

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE TRINIDAD CITY COUNCIL &  
TRINIDAD PLANNING COMMISSION, WEDNESDAY, JULY 31, 2019**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Ladwig called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Council members in attendance: West, Miller, Ladwig, Grover, Davies. Planning Commissioners in attendance: Graves, Johnson, Kelly, Lake. Stockness – Absent. City Staff in attendance: City Manager Eli Naffah, City Clerk Gabriel Adams, City Planner Trever Parker.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

*Motion (Miller/West) to approve the agenda as submitted. Passed unanimously.*

**IV. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR**

*(Three (3) minute limit per Speaker unless Council approves request for extended time.)*

**XI. DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA ITEMS**

1. General Plan Update Presentation and Discussion regarding various policies, including: Water, Annexation, Accessory Dwelling Units, etc.

City Planner Trever Parker explained that the primary purpose of this meeting is to update the Council on the General Plan update progress and process, and receive input regarding the next steps for moving forward on specific issues such as: 1) Review of the update procedure, 2) Water Policy, 3) Water Rate direction, 3) Annexation, 4) ADU's.

The General Plan serves as the land use "constitution" for the City, and all land use regulations must be consistent with it. It is intended to serve for approximately 20 years, with 5-year updates. The State dictates that all cities and counties must have General Plans that contain certain elements and meet certain criteria. In addition, the Coastal Act and Coastal Commission require jurisdictions in the Coastal Zone to maintain a Local Coastal Program (LCP). The existing General Plan was adopted in 1978. Updates have been attempted since 1997. The City has received grants to help facilitate an update, and throughout the years have been sidetracked by various projects and issues. The Coastal Commission has recently started providing input on the current update, which will likely result in numerous revisions, additions, and reorganizations.

**V. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Water Application Process
- Verizon Lease Agreement
- Committee Resolution

**ADJOURNMENT: 9:37pm**

**Submitted by:**

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**Gabriel Adams**  
Trinidad City Clerk

**Approved by:**

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**Steve Ladwig**  
Mayor

